

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1043 - HB 2065

March 22, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the national political party committees and independent candidates to submit to the Secretary of State a written notice of the candidates for president and vice-president. Requires the committees, within 14 days of filing the written notice, to provide an affidavit from each presidential candidate stating the candidate's citizenship and attach affidavit documents that prove the candidate is a natural born citizen, the candidate's age, and that the candidate meets the residency requirements prescribed in Article II, Section 1 of the United States Constitution. Requires the affidavit to include an original long form birth certificate; a sworn statement that the candidate does not hold dual or multiple citizenship; that the candidate's allegiance is solely to the United States; and a sworn statement that the candidate's place of residence has been in the United States for the past 14 years. These requirements must be met and the Secretary of State must review the documents for authenticity prior to placing any candidate's name on the ballot. Requires the Secretary of State to make public the candidate's affidavit and required documents within seven days of determining that the candidate is qualified to be on the presidential ballot.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Secretary of State will not require additional personnel or resources to verify that all requirements have been met and to place such candidate's name on the ballot. The procedural requirements of the bill will be handled in the normal course of business.
- The fiscal impact on state and local government will be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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